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New Issues.

The report of Mr. BOUTWELL's committee introduced at least one new issue into the presidential campaign. He set it forth as sound Republican doctrine that a State can be "remanded" to a territorial condition by act of Congress. This means nothing less than that whatever party may at any particular time have the ascendancy in Congress has the right to perpetuate that ascendancy by turning out the representatives from such States as send men to Congress who hold their membership in the party opposing the one in power. Thus, if this doctrine had been accepted and enforced by the Republicans a few years ago they might have turned out Virginia, West Virginia, Missouri, Kentucky, and all other States sending up delegations almost wholly Democratic, and thus have kept the legislative department of the Government in their own hands. It is a little singular that the leaders of the Republican party did not sooner advocate this simple method of securing the continued rule of their own party. They have postponed the thing so long that they find only one branch of Congress in their possession; and so it will be a rather difficult matter to manage so as to get both Houses to agree upon the States to be turned out. To tell the truth, we must say, however, that even the northern papers speak in terms not at all complimentary of Mr. BOUTWELL, and some go so far as to speak as disrespectfully of his scheme as SIDNEY SMITH's friend did of the equator. Surely the memory of THAD. STEVENS must be falling into disrepute when a Chicago paper (the Times) can talk as follows:

"Alas, for booby Boutwell. He put his foot in deeper than he knew when, in the interest of partisan success, he recommended the obliteration of all State organization in the South and demanded that they be remanded back to a territorial form. Think of a creature of such ignorance, insolence, and imbecility holding the station once adorned by Sumner. A low, truculent, vulgar, indecent demagogue, who doesn't know the very first conditions of the institution he chatters about, substituting with the volubility of a fish-wife and the intelligence of a woodpecker."

That is not the language of a southerner or a secessionist. It is the utterance of a journal which has fifty thousand daily subscribers and publishes more reading matter than any New York paper. It is a strong expression of unadvised dissent. The doctrine is already condemned even in the North. It is evident. It seems to us that this is an issue upon which the writers and speakers of the Democratic party might call upon the people of the North to divide, in the confident expectation that the decision would be in favor of TILDEN and HENDRICKS.

BOUTWELL broached one or two other dangerous doctrines in his report on Mississippi affairs. He proposed to send representation in Congress to troublesome States. But this doctrine, as we have said, is included in the proposition to remand Democratic States to a territorial condition. So also is his other proposition—to hold States in a condition of pupillage, and educate them up to a high standard of republicanism.

But General GRANT has furnished some new issues to the northern Democrats. He claims on behalf of the Republican party—for the National Convention of that party eulogizes him and his Administration—we say, then, he claims on behalf of the Republican party that the President has, first, the power from any river, harbor, or district, to which Congress appropriates money to withhold the sum so appropriated. And, secondly, that the President has the right to use the army of the United States to secure the election of such a man to be his successor as he may choose; or, in other words, General GRANT claims the right to elect his successor. Here are issues upon which the Democrats of the North can safely go before the people of that section, unless indeed these are so thoroughly demoralized by the war of the so-called rebellion that they no longer deserve to be called free. If this be the case, it will be well for the whole country to learn the fact now as hereafter. The history of other countries tells us that it would not be strange if the people of the North lost all their own liberties in depriving the people of the southern States of theirs. And this would be a dear price to have paid for putting down the doctrine of the right of secession.

The Succession to the Presidency.

The death of Mr. KERR, who as Speaker of the House of Representatives was but two removes from the Presidency, has caused some discussion in the papers as to the number of lives that stand between the present incumbency and a vacancy. The Baltimore American says:

"The death of Mr. KERR raises a question scarcely important. There is now no Speaker of the House, as Mr. Saylor, of Ohio, was elected to that position only for the remainder of the session just closed. Mr. FERRY, as President pro tem, of the Senate—although even this is doubted—would succeed to the presidential office if General Grant were to die. But if General Grant were to die, Mr. FERRY would be both to die the question of the presidential succession would be left in a very doubtful and embarrassing position. Usually there are several officers in the line of succession, but the death of Vice-President Wilson and Speaker KERR open up the possibility of unusual contingencies."

Mr. SAYLER was never Speaker of the House in a sense that gave him a right to the succession. There is no doubt as to Mr. FERRY's right to the succession. That question was fully discussed and decided last winter, we think. Then as to a Speaker. In less than four months from to-day there will be a Speaker elected whose title to the succession will at once vest.

President and Vice-President to take place within thirty-four days of the first Wednesday in December of the year following. The law leaves few contingencies unprovided for.

LYING AND STEALING.—The papers tell of a worthy missionary clergyman from the North who found his colored brethren and sisters quite forgetful of the moral law, and began to give them a series of practical discourses against lying and stealing. The congregation stood it for a Sunday or two, and then they revolted, one of the deacons being their spokesman, and addressing their preacher thus: "We like you very much, and want to make it comfortable for you; but do face it, you see, we don't like this preaching about lying and stealing—we must have our Sundays for 'ligion.'" The whole campaign of the Republican managers is based upon a similar idea. The Democratic orators preach enough to them about the stealing, lying, and the general acts of rascality, of BELKnap, McKEE, BARBOCK, and the rest of the allies of the carpet-baggers. But the Republicans say, "The fact is, we don't like this preaching about lying and stealing. The bloody shirt is what we want to see."

Cesar's Threat.

The President's organ, in its issue of yesterday, says:

"There are but thirty-two counties in South Carolina. If three precincts in each county will enable the Government to place a squad of twenty soldiers at each of these, under the command of trusted subalterns, who can easily see to it that American citizens need not shut down their doors for voting for the candidates of their choice. Two thousand soldiers in the Palmetto State will be quite enough to teach Wade Hampton and his followers that this is indeed a free republic."

Two thousand SOLDIERS will teach the people of South Carolina that "this is a FREE REPUBLIC!" That is ludicrous as well as alarming. Ludicrous, because it is such a funny way of teaching the principles of free government; and alarming, because it foreshadows the very trouble which we yesterday pointed out. The House of Representatives would never consent to the counting of South Carolina's vote for HAYES if it were gained for him in the manner proposed by the President's organ.

The editor of one of our favorite exchanges—the Norfolk Day Book—is recommended by several correspondents of this journal as a suitable person to be the nominee for Congress of the Republican party in the Norfolk district. We second the suggestion. HATHAWAY is the man who ought to have that nomination. First, because he deserves it. No other man in that district has so strong a claim upon the Republican party. And, secondly, because Mr. GOODE could beat him so easily.

New Books.

Illustrated Lessons in Our Language; or, How to Speak and Write Correctly. Designed to teach English Grammar, with-out its technicalities. By G. P. QUACKENBOS, LL.D. New York: D. APPLETON & Co., 1876.

The design of this book will never be accomplished. As there is no royal road to learning, so there is no short cut to a knowledge of the science and art of grammar. The "technicalities" of any science are aids to the comprehension of it. What, for instance, is the difference between the verb "to lie" and the verb "to lay"? One is "transitive"; the other "intransitive." These adjectives are "technical" words; but they enable the pupil who learns their meaning to know when to use the one word and when to use the other. So as to many other verbs; and so as to many other "technicalities."

For sale by J. T. ELLYSON.

The Universal Metric System. Prepared especially for candidates for Schools of Science, Engineers, and others. By ALFRED RUSSELL, M. A. New York: D. APPLETON & Co., 1876.

We are not sure that the metric system is needed in a country where money is counted by the decimal system. At any rate, it will require many years of constant effort to educate our people up to the use of the metric system.

For sale by J. T. ELLYSON.

Science Primers. Edited by PROFESSORS HUXLEY, ROSSCOE, and BALFOUR STEWART. 1X Logic. By W. S. JAYNES.

This is a good little book.

For sale by J. T. ELLYSON.

At the Councilor's; or, a Nameless History. By E. MARLITT. Translated from the French by J. S. WETTER. Philadelphia: J. B. LIPPINCOTT & Co., 1876.

For sale by J. T. ELLYSON.

Fire and Flame. From the German of Levin Schücking. Translated by E. M. JOHNSON. New York: D. APPLETON & Co., 1876.

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The Outlook.

The people will soon decide between the rival candidates for the presidency. How the choice in either case will affect the business of the country is the great question for consideration, which transcends the existence of any party. Tilden, if elected, would without doubt restore commercial confidence and impart a new impetus to industrial enterprise. If the choice shall be Hayes, it will prolong the present straggling or monetary affairs to a deeper depression.

The reason is obvious, from the fact that no political party can forsake its errors while in power; for it is necessary to uphold them in order to maintain its consistency. It is only when deprived of power for a season that the leaders forsake the past, and seek new means of government by urging measures and reforms freighted with national good-faith in advance of those that can be promoted by men who are seeking their own, and not the country's prosperity. The long list of malapropos measures which have been urged by the North now hang like a millstone round the neck of the Republican party. The prudent dishonesty of its officials, even in some cases with those who sustain the high honor and dignity of the Government, will incline the intelligent and thinking men of this republic to turn their eyes away from Tilden as the uncompromising reformer of whom the country stands in so much need. What man can be held enough to clean out the "Aurean stables" within the Republican party? Who has the moral stamina to confront the men that have elected him and say, "My country first—my friends afterwards." In other words, which of the two candidates will control the party, or be kept in subjection by it? Which have given to the world an example of moral government, or reform in the administration of public affairs, and compelled the officers under him to carry out the work they had to do on the basis of strict integrity? Certainly Hayes has shown no sign in this direction, while Tilden has made his political career luminous with moral and political reform. Corruption has had its day, and must be swept away. The country is sick of its pretended

statesmanship, its blustering, its hideous gross violation of the Constitution, its every opportunity, and keeps alive sectional discord, in order to make capital upon which to base charges of southern disloyalty. Another term of republicanism will be the ruin of the South is helpless. It holding power. When he says "let him alone," he means that we must let him alone that he himself may have peace, but "let the whole land have peace, and let all the people have peace, without reference to race, color, or previous condition under the aegis of our flag and the Constitution." All we have to do now is to work as becomes men, and success is ours, both in the State and the United States.

WORDS OF GOOD CHEER.

SPEECH OF COLONEL JAMES H. RYAN IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONVENTION—HOPEFUL REPORTS OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRACY—GOVERNOR TILDEN A STRAIGHT-OUTER—NO GRIST FOR THE OUTRAGE MILL—GENERAL HAMPTON.

(Charleston Journal of Commerce.)

Mr. President, I am happy to state that at the meeting of the National Democratic Committee at Washington, and also in personal conference with Governor Tilden at Albany, all the intelligence I received with reference to the prospects of the Democratic party were encouraging. The members of the committee, coming from all sections of the Union, represented that there was heart to overturn the corrupt administration of the present department of the Government under the control of the Republican party. And they said that that party were thrown for their defence, not upon the plea of not guilty of the corruption charged upon them, but upon the plea of "rebellion" and the bloody shirt. That they seemed to depend for success upon this appeal, and upon the use of the officers of the Government and upon the United States army. That the army, while nominally employed for the purpose of intimidation at elections, I told them, and I think I spoke truly, that the blue coat had no terror for us. That we had had a warm front for them during the war, so we had a warm side for them now. Company to put the road under Orange Courthouse to Rawley Springs at once. The work is to be completed in twelve months.—Harrisonburg (Va.) Old Commonwealth.

HARRISONBURG AND FREDERICKSBURG RAILROAD.—The work of changing the track on the completed portion of this road to a three-foot gauge commenced last week, and up to last accounts had progressed at the rate of half a mile a day. The engineers are approaching Harrisonburg, and are expected in town in a few days. They report having found an easy grade over the Blue Ridge. It is the purpose of the Blue Ridge Company to put the road under Orange Courthouse to Rawley Springs at once. The work is to be completed in twelve months.—Harrisonburg (Va.) Old Commonwealth.

Congress having provided that hereafter of distilled spirits and the premises of wholesale liquor-dealers shall be stamped, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue has issued a circular giving the form of the stamp, and stating that the services of gaugers at wholesale liquor-dealers' establishments for the purpose of gauging, stamping, and affixing the stamps, shall not be required on and after the 25th of the present month. The non-use, misuse, or fraudulent use of the stamp renders the person so offending liable to the penalties prescribed in the internal revenue laws relative to other stamps for distilled spirits.

The wages reduction to employees on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad has created much feeling among persons interested at the line, and along the line. Saturday there were printed notices posted at Piedmont, Keyser, and other places, calling a meeting at Gratton of employees to determine upon action in the premises.

The following losses by fire are reported by telegraph: Priest & Albree's tannery, in Norfolk county, Mass., \$30,000, incendiary; the Children's Home, Portsmouth, O., \$15,000, incendiary; the residence of Mrs. Quiddy, in the city of Philadelphia, \$20,000, incendiary; the residence of John Murphy and James Lee, at Rondout, N. Y., loss, \$20,000.

The chess tournament at Philadelphia was continued Saturday. Barbour lost two games—one to Davidson and the other to Mason. A contest between H. E. Bird and P. Ware, Jr., postponed from Friday, resulted in a draw. The chess between Elson and Roberts resulted in a draw. Mason won a well-played game from Martineau. Thus far Mason is ahead, with Davidson a good second.

MARRIAGES. Married, on the 8th instant, at the residence of the bride's parents, the late Miss M. M. Mason, to Mr. BARKER and Mr. BERNARD BARKER, both of this city.

DEATHS.

Died, in Petersburg, on Monday morning the 21st instant, Miss MARTHA BURNETT, daughter of the late Mr. Burnett, of this city, at the residence of her parents, in the city of Petersburg, Va., aged 21 years.

Died, at the residence of his parents, in Manchester, Va., August 21, 1876, GEORGE RANDOLPH, aged seven years, son of Mr. George Randolph, of this city, and grandson of Rev. James E. and Mrs. A. M. Randolph.

MEETINGS.

VIRGINIA LODGE, No. 2, K. OF P.—Stated meeting THIS (Tuesday) EVENING at 8 o'clock at Pythian Hall. Full attendance especially requested. Knights in good standing are fraternally invited.

By order of the C. C.,
J. H. DOWNING, C. of R. and S.

NOTICE.—The regular semi-monthly meeting of the PERPETUAL BUILDING, L. O. and T. R. CO. will be held at 7 o'clock at the office of Miller & Straub, No. 6 E. Seventh street. The cashier and the secretary will be present, and subscriptions to new shares, which can be had at the rate of \$100 per share, can be had at the office of the company.

EXCURSIONS.

GRAND EXCURSION

TO

BALTIMORE

AND

THE CENTENNIAL.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1876.

The undersigned having perfected an arrangement with the Richmond, York River and Chesapeake Railroad Company, and the Chesapeake and Potomac Rivers Railroad Company, to run a special train each day for thirty days, at the following reduced rates: To Baltimore and return, \$1.00; to Philadelphia and return, \$1.50; to New York and return, \$2.00. The train leaves York River depot, precisely at 8 o'clock, on Monday, September 4, and will stop at the following places: Havanna, which after a delightful trip over the bay, will reach Baltimore next morning. Tickets for sale at George W. Taylor's, corner Twenty-fourth and Broad streets, and at McPhail's drug store, corner Seventeenth and Main streets, and at the depot on the morning of the 4th.

By order of the Managers,
S. R. ADAMS and S. E. PERDUE.

MUST BE SOLD.

LAWNS reduced to 5c. per yard.

GRENADES at 6c. per yard.

Good style SILK-FLOUNCED GRENADES at 10c. per yard.

PARASOLS and SUN-UMBRELLAS at the lowest prices ever known.

READY-MADE SUITS FOR LADIES at \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, and up to \$15, the cheapest suits ever offered in this city.

READY-MADE UNDERGARMENTS FOR LADIES at and below cost, among which will be found some of the real French hand-made goods.

LINEN DAMASK for TABLE-CLOTHS at 50c. per yard worth 75c.

NAPKINS at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, and up to \$6 per dozen, the largest stock and cheapest goods ever offered.

TOWELS and TOWELLING in great variety at very low prices.

CORSETS at 40c., 60c., 75c., \$1, and up to \$5 a pair—much below regular prices.

PICTURE-FRAMES at 15c., 20c., 25c., 30c., 35c., and up to \$3.

STRIPED COTTON HOSE FOR LADIES at 12 1/2c., 16c., and up to \$1 a pair.

HONEY-COMB QUILTS, the largest size made, at 85c., worth \$1.50.

HANDSOME FIGURED WHITE QUILTS at \$1.25 and \$1.50 worth \$2 and \$3.

MARSEILLES QUILTS at \$3 and \$4.50 worth \$5 and \$8.

COTTON GOODS of every description at manufacturers' prices, and some even less.

GOODS FOR BOYS AND MEN'S WEAR at prices never heard of before.

FLANNELS at prices so low as to make the closest buyers acknowledge they are cheap.

Extraordinary bargains in BLANKETS.

LACE-STRIPED SWISS MUSLIN at 10c. per yard worth 50c.

SILK and LACE SCARFS in great variety at low prices.

NOTE-PAPER and ENVELOPES, in boxes, at 15, 20, 25, and 30c. per box.

EXCELLENT NOTE-PAPER at \$1 per ream, 50c. per half ream, 25c. per quarter ream, sent to any address upon the receipt of 40c. per ream for postage and cost of paper.

EXCELLENT ENVELOPES at 50c. per box of 250, sent to any address upon receipt of the price and 25c. for postage.

RUBBER BRACELETS, three, four, five, and six hands, at reduced prices.

THE BEST READY-MADE SHIRT in the city at \$1 and \$1.25, made of Wamsuta cotton and pure Irish linen, manufactured in this city.

THOUSANDS OF OTHER BARGAINS.

AND

PRICES LOWER THAN EVER KNOWN.

as the goods must be sold.

LEVY BROTHERS.

at 1017 and 1019 Main street.

DRUGS, MEDICINES, &c.

"MEDITERRANEAN SEA SALT" for sale by POLK MILLER & CO.

BUFFALO LITHIA WATER—a fresh supply just received. POLK MILLER & CO.

WOOD'S CORAL DENTIFRICE for sale by POLK MILLER & CO.

PREPARED FOOD FOR MOCKING-BIRDS for sale by POLK MILLER & CO., Apothecaries.

CARBOLEAT OF LIME—the best disinfectant in 10c. packages. POLK MILLER & CO.

PULES, PLEAS, BED-BUGS, and ROACHES are thoroughly exterminated by our ITALIAN INSECT POWDER. POLK MILLER & CO., Apothecaries.

TO PHYSICIANS.

A few fresh VACCINE QUILLS (non-humanized) to be had to-day at J. B. BLAIR.

at 16 corner Broad and Ninth streets.

SPONGES

FOR BATHING.

FOR CARRIAGES.

FOR SLATES.

FOR SURGEONS.

A full and the assortment of all kinds and qualities.

OIL-DRESSED CHAMOIS SKINS, all direct from the importers. For sale wholesale and retail by PURCELL LADD & CO., Druggists.

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DEODORIZERS

AND DISINFECTANTS.

DARBY'S PROPHYLACTIC FLUID.

ENGLISH CHLORALUM.

BROMO-CHLORALUM.

PURE CARBOLEAT OF LIME

as made for the Board of Health of Baltimore city. No foreign or inert matter mixed with it, but is a highly concentrated preparation of pure CARBOLEIC ACID AND LIME.

which we have been selling for several years, and which we KNOW to be EFFECTIVE in destroying noxious odors and foul gases from damp cellars, culverts, &c.

at 21 MEADE & BAKER, Pharmacists, 910 Main street.

CLOTHING.

JOHN LATOUCHE,

MERCHANT TAILOR.

at 1017 and 1019 Main street.

Just received.

NEW SUPPLY OF LIGHT FABRICS.

FOR SUMMER WEAR.

Prices very low for the goods.

at 24

PROPOSALS.

(CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE.)

MANCHESTER, VA., AUGUST 19, 1876.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, MANCHESTER, VA., UNTIL 12 O'CLOCK SEPTEMBER 1, 1876, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GRAVEL BANK AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SEVENTH STREET AND HULL STREET.

Gravel to be hauled from the city gravel bank at the intersection of the Seventh and Hull streets.

Specifications can be seen at this office every day between 9 A. M. and 3 P. M.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. No proposals received must be in accordance with the following conditions:

A. LANGSTAFF JOHNSON, City Engineer.

at 21-31

HOUSE-MOVING.

HOUSE-MOVING.—Don't fail to see T. J. REAMY, No. 19 Fifth street, the only practical house-mover and raiser in the city. He will move your house, or any other building, without disturbing the contents, and without any delay. He will also move your house, or any other building, without disturbing the contents, and without any delay. He will also move your house, or any other building, without disturbing the contents, and without any delay.

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VERY LARGE STOCK.

DOMESTIC GOODS.

has just been opened.

SYCLE BROTHERS, 429 BROAD STREET.

amongst which you will find

500 pieces BROWN and BLEACHED COTTONS of the best brands, at the very lowest market prices.

50 pieces UNBLEACHED SHEETING, full width, at 20c. per yard.

50 pieces BLEACHED SHEETING from 25c. up to the very best.

RED-TICKS from 10c. up to 50c.

CHEVIOTS and SHIRTING STRIPES in fifty different styles.

DOMESTIC PLAIDS and GINGHAMS from 8c. up to 15c.

WHITE, RED, BLUE, and YELLOW FLANNELS in plain and twilled.

50 pieces NEW FALL DRESS GOODS from 20c. up.

115 pieces STRIPED POPLINS at 12 1/2c. per yard.

150 pieces NEW FALL PRINTS in all the latest styles.

NEW GASSIMEREES, for men and boys' wear, at 19.

SYCLE BROTHERS.

FIVE HUNDRED BED-QUILTS AT

75c. reduced from \$1.200 BED-QUILTS from \$1.00 to \$1.00. Great inducements offered in this line, as we have a very large stock on hand.

A large stock of LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S UNDERWEAR at remarkably low prices.

LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS in plain, hemstitched, and bordered.

50 dozen CORSETS at 50c. worth 85c. fully.

TABLE-CLOTHS from 50c. up.

TOWELS and NAPKINS at astonishingly low prices.

We have a great many other bargains not mentioned.